

Amendments to the Claims

1-99 (Cancelled)

100. (Previously Presented) A method of providing communication accounts to end-users from a plurality of web sites, the method comprising:

in a first one of the web-sites, interacting with a first one of the end-users over the Internet, and in response, transferring a first communication account request over the Internet to an account server;

in the account server, validating the first web site in response to receiving the first communication account request, selecting a first account code for the first end-user in response to validating the first web site, and transferring the first account code over the Internet to the first web site;

in the first web-site, transferring the first account code over the Internet to the first end-user, wherein the first end user uses the first account code to obtain a first communication service from a communication service provider;

in a second one of the web-sites, interacting with a second one of the end-users over the Internet, and in response, transferring a second communication account request over the Internet to the account server;

in the account server, validating the second web site in response to receiving the second communication account request, selecting a second account code for the second end-user in response to validating the second web site, and transferring the second account code over the Internet to the second web site; and

in the second web-site, transferring the second account code over the Internet to the second end-user, wherein the second end user uses the second account code to obtain a second communication service from the communication service provider.

101. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the communication service comprises a prepaid communication service.

102. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the communication service comprises a wireless communication service.

103. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the communication service comprises an Internet access service.

104. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the first account code comprises a Personal Identification Number (PIN).

105. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the first account code comprises a password.

106. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the first communication account request identifies the first end-user and the second communication account request identifies the second end-user.

107. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 wherein the first communication account request identifies a first monetary amount and the second communication account request identifies a second monetary amount.

108. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 further comprising, in the account server, selecting a first monetary amount for the first account code and selecting a second monetary amount for the second account code.

109. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 100 further comprising, in the account server, selecting a first time amount for the first account code and selecting a second time amount for the second account code.

110. (Previously Presented) A system to provide communication accounts to end-users, the system comprising:

- a first web-site configured to interact with a first one of the end-users over the Internet, and in response, to transfer a first communication account request over the Internet to an account server;

- a second web-site configured to interact with a second one of the end-users over the Internet, and in response, transfer a second communication account request over the Internet to the account server;

- the account server configured to validate the first web site in response to receiving the first communication account request, select a first account code for the first end-user in response to validating the first web site, transfer the first account code over the Internet to the first web site, validate the second web site in response to receiving the second communication account request, select a second account code for the second end-user in response to validating the second web site, and transfer the second account code over the Internet to the second web site;

- the first web-site further configured to transfer the first account code over the Internet to the first end-user, wherein the first end user uses the first account code to obtain a first communication service from a communication service provider; and

- the second web-site further configured to transfer the second account code over the Internet to the second end-user, wherein the second end user uses the second account code to obtain a second communication service from the communication service provider.

111. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the communication service comprises a prepaid communication service.

112. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the communication service comprises a wireless communication service.

113. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the communication service comprises an Internet access service.

114. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the first account code comprises a Personal Identification Number (PIN).

115. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the first account code comprises a password.

116. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the first communication account request identifies the first end-user and the second communication account request identifies the second end-user.

117. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the first communication account request identifies a first monetary amount and the second communication account request identifies a second monetary amount.

118. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the account server is further configured to select a first monetary amount for the first account code and select a second monetary amount for the second account code.

119. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 110 wherein the account server is further configured to select a first time amount for the first account code and select a second time amount for the second account code.